the articles covered by the claim, and that the articles were lost, destroyed, or withdrawn from the market within 6 months preceding the date the claim is filed. The claim shall be filed with the regional director (compliance) for the region in which the tax was paid and shall be supported by such evidence as is necessary to establish to the satisfaction of the regional director (compliance) that the claim is valid. The duplicate of the claim shall be retained by the export warehouse proprietor for 2 years following the close of the calendar year in which the claim is filed. Where an export warehouse proprietor has paid the tax on tobacco products, or cigarette papers or tubes, he may file claim for refund of an overpayment of tax under subpart A of part 296 of this chapter if, at the time the tax was paid, these articles had been exported, destroyed, or otherwise disposed of in such a manner that tax was not due and payable.

(68A Stat. 791, 72 Stat. 9, 1419, as amended; 26 U.S.C. 6402, 6423, 5705)

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Subpart H—Suspension and Discontinuance of Operations

§ 290.161 Discontinuance of operations.

Every export warehouse proprietor who desires to discontinue operations and close out his warehouse shall dispose of all cigars, cigarettes, and cigarette papers and tubes on hand, in accordance with this part, making a closing inventory and closing report, in accordance with the provisions of §\$290.146 and 290.151, respectively, and surrender, with such inventory and re-

port, his permit to the regional director (compliance) as notice of such discontinuance, in order that the regional director (compliance) may terminate the liability of the surety on the bond of the export warehouse proprietor.

(72 Stat. 1422; 26 U.S.C. 5721, 5722)

[T.D. 6871, 31 FR 51, Jan. 4, 1966. Redesignated at 40 FR 16835, Apr. 15, 1975]

§ 290.162 Suspension and revocation of permit.

Where the regional director (compliance) has reason to believe that an export warehouse proprietor has not in good faith complied with the provisions of 26 U.S.C. chapter 52, and regulations thereunder, or with any other provision of 26 U.S.C. with intent to defraud, or has violated any condition of his permit, or has failed to disclose any material information required or made any material false statement in the application for permit, or has failed to maintain his premises, in such manner as to protect the revenue, the regional director (compliance) shall issue an order, stating the facts charged, citing such export warehouse proprietor to show cause why his permit should not be suspended or revoked after hearing thereon in accordance with part 200 of this chapter, which part (including the provisions relating to appeals) is made applicable to such proceedings. If the hearing examiner, or the Director, on appeal, decides the permit should be suspended, for such time as to him seems proper, or be revoked, the regional director (compliance) shall by order give effect to such decision.

(72 Stat. 1421; 26 U.S.C. 5713)

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